GODOWNS—INSURING AGAINST FIRE ACCIDENTS

120 D. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state,—

(*a*) whether the godowns in different parts of the State and outside the State where the Food Department have stored food-stuffs, have been insured against fire accidents;

(*b*) whether the Government is aware whether the food-stuffs stored in such godowns by the Government in Travancore and Madras are insured against fire accidents;

(c) whether the godowns referred to in (*a*) and (*b*) above have been insured against the war risks accidents by the respective Governments concerned?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*:

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Government have no information.

(c) The godowns of the State Food Department have not been insured against war risk, there is no information as regards the godowns of the Travancore and Madras Governments.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: May I know, whether these godowns have been insured against fire accident?

Mr. President: Which godowns?

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnmkulam)*: Godowns of the Food Department.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I want notice.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated)*: May I know, whether these godowns belong to the Government?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: No.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated)*: May I know, how will the Government be benefit ted by this insurance?

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: May I know, whether there is not the danger of fire breaking out in these godowns?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know, whether in our godowns the stock has been insured against fire?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I have answered that. We want notice.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: May I know, whether in Madras and Travancore they have already insured?

Rao Sahih M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I have begun to enquire that.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated)*: Will the Government be pleased to consider the question of insuring the goods in the godowns and not the godowns of other people.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Yes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: I also meant that.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated)*: No.

Mr. President: Word the question carefully.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know the aproximate quantity of stock stored in Mattancheri, our main depot?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: At present it will be three lakhs of bags.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know; Sir, what will be the approximate worth in rupees, annas and pies.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Will it be 4 cores; Sir?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I cannot answer.

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Mr. President: Order. Order. I do not think that question arises as a supplementary question.

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